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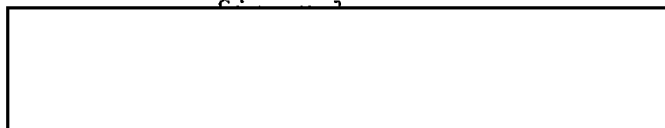
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Ms. Christina H. Macy  
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Dear Ms. Macy,


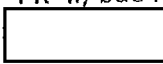
This is to acknowledge your letter of March 31 in response to Mr. Falkiewicz's letter of 16 March. Mr. Falkiewicz has moved to another position.

What the new Director of Central Intelligence is seeking is an ethical relationship that will serve the mutual interests of the intelligence and academic communities. The main point of Mr. Falkiewicz's letter was to emphasize our goal to strengthen cooperation between the academic community and the U.S. Intelligence Community to the benefit of this country. The problem is to define the proper and legitimate relationships that should exist between the two. This is an active concern of the Director, and I can assure you the matters you raise are receiving proper attention.



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March 31, 1977

Andrew T. Falkiewicz  
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Dear Mr. Falkiewicz,

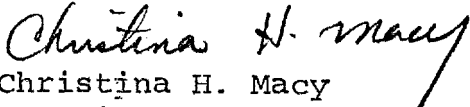
Thank you for your letter of 16 March. I regret, however, that your response did little to clarify the issues or answer the specific questions that I raised in my letter of March 4.

As I stated in that correspondence, there is a growing consensus in the academic community that on-going covert ties with the CIA are harmful to the integrity and independence of our universities, and that such activities should be disclosed publicly. I am not just referring to academic research, but to the contractual relationships between professors and the Agency for the purpose of covert recruitment. Scholars and students alike are very concerned about whether these activities are continuing, or whether the new CIA director has taken steps to end these practices.

The purpose of my March 4 letter, therefore, was to get current CIA policy on specific CIA-academic relationships having to do with research, recruitment, collaboration and production of propaganda, and the use of academics as agents overseas. I therefore request a more detailed and specific answer to my letter of March 4.

Thanking you in advance for your response,

Sincerely,

  
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16 March 1977

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Dear Ms. Macy,

Thank you for your letter of March 4 to the Director of Central Intelligence.

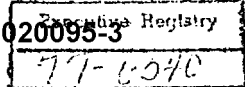
I can assure you that we, like you, are interested in the matter of relations between the Central Intelligence Agency and academic institutions and personnel. Certainly we must have voluntary cooperation between scholarly institutions and personnel with agencies of government in order to assist us in providing the best possible information and assessments on foreign affairs to the President and the policymakers of our government.

None of our relationships is intended to influence either what is taught or any other aspect of a scholar's work. The complexity of our mission today requires that our academic research be strong, and we intend to keep it strong by seeking the best perspectives from the academic world.

We are pleased that you share Admiral Turner's view that no member of the academic community should be denied the right to serve his country in any legal way that he desires. We are concerned that in fact there are those who would deliberately try to embarrass or hinder persons who voluntarily and wittingly wish to work with us.

We firmly believe that the Agency, as part of the government, and the scholar, as a member of the academic community, can work together without fear of embarrassment or reproach because of relationships that are increasingly important to national policy.





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March 4, 1977

Admiral Stansfield Turner  
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Dear Admiral Turner,

The Center for National Security Studies is concerned about the Church Committee findings on the continued covert operational use of hundreds of academics by the CIA. The Committee report concluded, as you know, with the warning that such secret activities on college campuses "undermine public confidence that those who train our youth are upholding the ideals, independence and integrity of American universities." A growing number of students, scholars, and academic associations have begun to express their strong concern over these continued abuses.

Members of the Center were heartened, therefore, when we heard your testimony before the Senate Intelligence Committee on February 22 concerning the domestic impact on institutions here at home. In response to a question by Senator Huddleston, you replied that academic institutions should not be used as tools "for propagandizing in any way", nor should the intelligence agencies request assistance "without making it clear that it is the intelligence community that is doing it." We agree with you that no one should be denied the right to work for any government agency, and that that work should be done openly and publicly. Your testimony on this issue, because of its brevity, did leave a number of important questions unanswered, however.

Given your statement of last week, have you issued directives that research contracts publicly acknowledge CIA sponsorship, and that all those working on the research be informed of that sponsorship? Have you directed that all contractual relationships with professors and university administrators, for recruitment purposes for example, be disclosed and placed on the public record? Have you ended the practice of CIA's secret collaboration with scholars in the writing of books and articles? Will you take steps to publish the names of the more than one thousand books that have been funded by or written by the CIA over the past thirty years? Finally, have you issued a

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